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The Honorable
Admiral Stansfield Turner
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Dear Stan:

You have been kind enough to reserve time on your busy calendar for the short workshop the Aspen Institute is planning on "Secrecy, National Security and Governance in an Open Society." The dates for that meeting are set, as you know, for July 24-28, 1978 and your staff has confirmed that you will be able to join us for this period. We have also invited about thirty other people (see the attached list), many of whom have some professional connection with the Aspen Institute, to join us in this enterprise.

The need for discussion in depth of the ethics of public secrecy is obvious enough from the recent history of the United States. Our focus in this workshop will be on two questions: How much Government secrecy does the public interest require? What are the roles of institutions and individuals in making sure both that necessary secrecy is maintained and that unnecessary secrecy is not maintained?

Our workshop will begin with a reception on Sunday evening, July 23rd. The meetings will be held each morning in the Aspen Institute's conference facility in Aspen, Colorado. Workshops like this will sometimes draw a few auditors in addition to the invited participants; there is no way of having a closed meeting on our campus--especially on this topic.

The Steering committee for the workshop consists of Robert B. McKay, Director of the Aspen Institute Program on Justice, Society and the Individual, Dr. Amos A. Jordan, former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Defense International Security Affairs and former Director of the Aspen Institute, and myself. We will be developing a day-by-day agenda, and will be in touch with you about taking the lead in one of the main discussions.

I have taken the liberty of putting a panel discussion on "The Ethics of Government Secrecy" on the Institute lecture schedule for the evening of Thursday, July 27. Our hope is that you would join me and one or two other members of our group in that public session in the Paepcke Auditorium.

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We will make arrangements for you and Mrs. Turner to be housed on, or very close to, the Institute campus from Friday, July 21 until Sunday, July 30th. If there is any further information you need, my office number in Aspen is (303) 925-6460.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,


Harlan Cleveland

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Workshop on

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July 24-28, 1978
Aspen, Colorado

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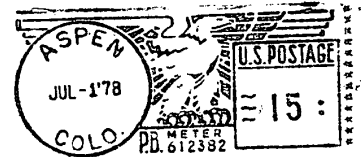
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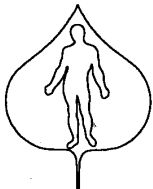
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